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Since 1994 when surface water began to be sold with a lack of public involvement, many neighbors have been injured by the transfers without compensation. This project threatens the 87% of the county that depends on ground water.

Butte County has not supported the plan, for the same reasons that it scores low on the state ranking.

Selling water is not like selling a discrete commodity, such as a pair of shoes. When you sell your county water, will be pump must be lowered in the cost of listing the water will increase. Should there not be a way to ensure that affected people be compensated for their losses instead pretending that there as a simple commercial transaction of a commodity?

Should there not be a way to ensure that the environment will be monitored and protected? Should there not be a way to ensure that meaningful public involvement takes place in a way that can affect the outcome?

I would appreciate hearing your thoughts about my questions.

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